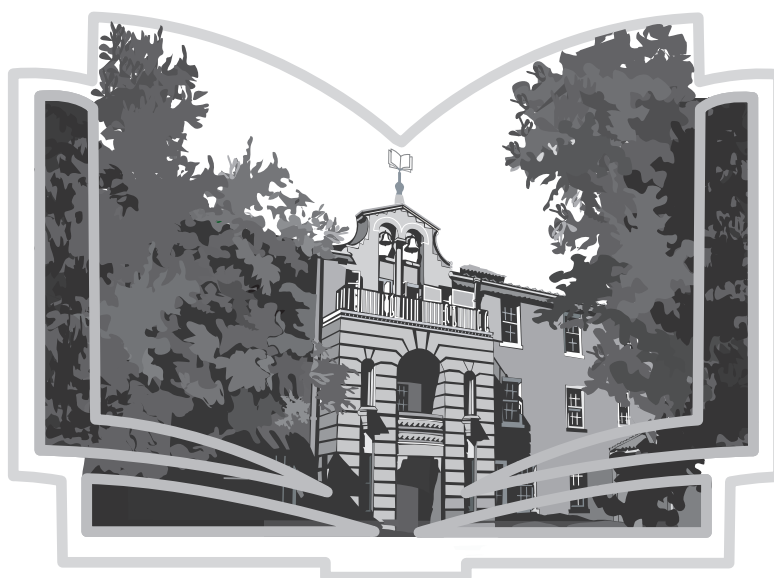


SCHOOL VOCABULARY LISTS





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WHY DEFINE THE WORDS OF A SUBJECT?

If the words of a subject are not understood, the subject itself cannot be well understood and the information one is learning about cannot be easily applied. These lists are to provide you with the basic vocabulary of the subject.

Fully understanding the meanings of all of the basic words of a subject while studying the subject will greatly improve one's ability in that subject. Also, the action of helping another to fully understand these basic words will increase one's own understanding and abilities even more.

Without an understanding of the basic words, a person will not be able to fully learn a subject, may feel "stupid" in the subject and may quit studying the subject altogether. The person could even be labeled as "lazy," "slow," "a troublemaker," "sloppy," "careless," etc.

We have provided for you here a list of words in this subject in roughly the order a student may have been exposed to the words through his schooling. When you are closing the gaps in a student's subject understanding by helping him to build a vocabulary in that subject defining the words in this order will help to reduce the use of other more difficult words which may be found in the definitions themselves. In this way you can build from basic terms and then step-by-step up to more complex terms with greater ease.

The lists have been divided up as follows:

- Basic:* these are the most basic words that anyone of *any* grade would need to know about the subject.
- Level One:* these are the words that a student would usually first come across in grades 1–3 in the American system or for about ages 6/7 to about 9/10.
- Level Two:* these are the words that a student would usually first come across in grades 4–6 in the American system or for about ages 9 to about 11/12.
- Level Three:* these are the words that a student would usually first come across in grade 7 in the American system or about ages 12/13.

The accompanying glossary¹ contains definitions and example sentences for each definition to help in fully understanding the meaning of the word.

How to Define Words: Please refer to your *Learning How to Learn* book, the section on “Learning the Meanings of Words,” for the proper way to get words defined.

Editor’s Note: If you are using the Subject Study Guides, follow the directions in the Study Guide.

In unsnarling a student’s ability or understanding of the vocabulary of the subject you can just check with him as to his understanding using the glossary and fill in where needed by helping him to define those terms he does not know. Practice at what he is learning while he is learning it is also needed, most especially if it is a subject that requires function.

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The information on this was derived from the book *Learning How to Learn* and its companion course *Progressive Teaching Tools*. Do the course at your nearest Applied Scholastics™ center or at the Spanish Lake Campus.

¹ glossary: a list of words and their meanings in alphabetical order.

Basic School Vocabulary List

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|---------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. listen | 14. word | 27. mistake |
| 2. learn | 15. understand | 28. correct |
| 3. study | 16. communication | 29. assignment |
| 4. building | 17. writing | 30. exercise |
| 5. teach | 18. book | 31. instruct |
| 6. school | 19. read | 32. instructions |
| 7. teacher | 20. subject | 33. lesson |
| 8. student | 21. language | 34. restroom |
| 9. parent | 22. alphabet | 35. rules |
| 10. grade | 23. page | 36. attendance |
| 11. year | 24. chalk | 37. roll call |
| 12. class | 25. chalkboard | 38. principal |
| 13. classroom | 26. directions | |

Level One School Vocabulary List

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|--------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1.1. phonics | 39. test | 78. stage |
| 2. enter | 40. pass | 79. perform |
| 3. exit | 41. fail | 80. performance |
| 4. signature | 42. alarm | 81. auditorium |
| 5. playground | 43. drill | 82. event |
| 6. break | 44. fire drill | 83. calendar |
| 7. time | 45. tornado drill | 84. completion |
| 8. activity | 46. practice | 85. announcement |
| 9. break time | 47. rehearsal | 86. assembly |
| 10. recess | 48. alphabetical order | 87. manners |
| 11. time out | 49. spelling | 88. period |
| 12. cafeteria | 50. dictionary | 89. marking period |
| 13. lunchroom | 51. glossary | 90. paper |
| 14. bulletin | 52. workbook | 91. report |
| 15. bulletin board | 53. art | 92. report card |
| 16. computer | 54. supplies | 93. semester |
| 17. library | 55. English | 94. permission |
| 18. kindergarten | 56. history | 95. permission slip |
| 19. elementary school | 57. symbol | 96. tutor |
| 20. grammar | 58. math/mathematics | 97. cooperation |
| 21. grammar school | 59. arithmetic | 98. exchange |
| 22. academy | 60. error | 99. preschool |
| 23. office | 61. music | 100. project |
| 24. reception | 62. penmanship | 101. review |
| 25. receptionist | 63. cursive | 102. succeed |
| 26. secretary | 64. geography | 103. success |
| 27. schedule | 65. science | 104. task |
| 28. class schedule | 66. vocabulary | 105. assistant |
| 29. field | 67. health | 106. certificate |
| 30. field trip | 68. speech | 107. trophy |
| 31. sports | 69. research | 108. award |
| 32. abbreviation | 70. typing | 109. presentation |
| 33. P.E./physical
education | 71. holiday | 110. graduation |
| 34. gymnasium | 72. course | 111. flag |
| 35. gym | 73. graduate | 112. banner |
| 36. team | 74. message | 113. leader |
| 37. sportsmanship | 75. note | 114. homework |
| 38. coach | 76. notepad | 115. purpose |
| | 77. notebook | 116. initials |

Level Two School Vocabulary List

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|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. club | 22. public | 43. combination |
| 2. skill | 23. pupil | 44. depart |
| 3. locker | 24. ability | 45. knowledge |
| 4. educate | 25. high school | 46. grading system |
| 5. education | 26. junior high school | 47. model |
| 6. educator | 27. middle school | 48. detention |
| 7. instructor | 28. foreign | 49. director |
| 8. text | 29. foreign language | 50. interview |
| 9. textbook | 30. yearbook | 51. suspend/suspension |
| 10. binder | 31. monitor | 52. expel/expulsion |
| 11. multiple | 32. detector | 53. code |
| 12. multiple-choice | 33. metal detector | 54. credit |
| 13. newsletter | 34. reference | 55. journal |
| 14. conduct | 35. encyclopedia | 56. language arts |
| 15. datum/data | 36. exam | 57. life science |
| 16. discipline | 37. P.A. | 58. social studies |
| 17. lecture | 38. term | 59. physical science |
| 18. nutrition | 39. tip | 60. slogan |
| 19. practical | 40. unit | 61. guardian |
| 20. product | 41. band | 62. P.S.A.T. |
| 21. program | 42. choir | |

Level Three School Vocabulary List

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|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1. study hall | 15. finals | 28. biology |
| 2. student council | 16. mascot | 29. civics |
| 3. second language | 17. motto | 30. drama |
| 4. diploma | 18. technology | 31. geometry |
| 5. college | 19. track | 32. calculus |
| 6. freshman | 20. economics | 33. chemistry |
| 7. sophomore | 21. home economics | 34. physics |
| 8. junior | 22. social science | 35. programming |
| 9. senior | 23. literature | 36. computer |
| 10. career | 24. govern | programming |
| 11. university | 25. government | 37. school letter |
| 12. community | 26. S.A.T. | 38. statistics |
| 13. community service | 27. algebra | 39. trigonometry |
| 14. debate | | |



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